

Biography:

Richard Earl lives in New Jersey .He has worked as a photographer since 1970. His resume includes: work in photo engraving, photo silk screening, portraiture, freelance, advertising, product shots, event photography, photo restoration, custom printing and fine art photography.

He has earned a BA from Rutgers University and a MA in art from the New Jersey City University, all of his graduate work consisted of studio courses in drawing, painting, and photography.

He also has completed a 30 year career as a professional firefighter in one of New Jersey's larger cities. Since his retirement from this profession, he has lived the life of an artist and is involved with the creation of artwork on a daily basis.

Richard's work can be seen on Face Book under the name Richard Earl

Statement:

I have attempted to outline several of the major themes that my photographs explore on a regular basis with these submissions. The use of powerful colors, strong compositions, and unusual points of view create a presence in the works. Dreamlike and visionary imagery are common themes in these works.

My photographic work ranges from traditional imagery such as landscape and portraiture to the creation of photographic montages. The montages are compositions created by the blending of several different images. This type of work requires the skills of both the photographer and the painter. These images tend to be surrealistic in tone and modern in feeling even though they are usually based on a more traditional type of photographic imagery.

The compilation of these layered images mirrors the complex nature of experience; not completely realized and somewhat mysterious with a deep current of undertones and hidden meanings. The result is the creation of images that have both power and presence; images that achieve "more reality "than a single layer of imagery can express. These images also invite the spectator to interpret and become more involved with the artwork. In essence, the spectator can participate in the telling of the story behind the work, enhancing and enriching the Art experience.

Many of these pieces grow in impact as they grow in size. The enlarged scale leads to the creation of a strong, vital presence in the work. There is a sense of something just about to happen in the scene; something awaited with longing and great anticipation:

Recent Exhibitions:

25th Annual Skylands Regional Juried Art Exhibit – Sussex County NJ - April 2012

11th Annual Exhibition of the National Arts Program – Union County NJ - May 2012 awarded Honorable Mention

12th Annual Exhibition of the National Arts Program – Union County NJ - May 2013

13th Annual Exhibition of the National Arts Program – Union County NJ - May 2014

14th Annual Exhibition of the National Arts Program – Union County NJ - May 2015

2012 Union County Senior Citizens Art Exhibit - May 2012- awarded 2nd Place, Professional Photography

Annual Juried Photography and Graphics Exhibition for Non Members – Salmagundi Club – NYC, NY – August 2012

Juried Photography Exhibition – The Monmouth Museum, Lincroft NJ – October 2012

32nd Annual Mountain Juried Art Show – Bernardsville, NJ – October 28th, 2012.

The Pearl St. Gallery – 1 man exhibition, 12/4/2012 - 1/29/2013, Elizabeth NJ

26th Annual Skylands Regional Juried Art Exhibit – Sussex County NJ – May, 2013 - received Charles Tice Award (a \$ award).

27th Annual Skylands Regional Juried Art Exhibit – Sussex County NJ – May, 2014

28th Annual Skylands Regional Juried Art Exhibit – Sussex County NJ – May, 2015 received Award

2013 Union County Senior Citizens Art Exhibit - Union County NJ - 5/30 - 6/29. My work in this show was awarded 1st Place Photography and Best of Show in the Professional category. This piece (" Moonset: Early Morning") was also awarded an Honorable Mention in the professional category at the State level competition. 2nd Annual RSI Juried Art Contest - Celebration - located at RSI Bank 1500 Irving St. Rahway NJ . 6/2/2013 - 6/29/2013 - awarded People's Choice Award and Special Mention for High quality

2014 Union County Senior Citizens Art Exhibit - Union County NJ, received Award in Professional photography

2015 Union County Senior Citizens Art Exhibit - Union County NJ, received Award in Professional photography

Discover NJ Arts - Featured Artist for July 2013 - <http://jerseyarts.com/ArtistGallery.aspx>

See.Me - "The Story of the Creative" - an electronic exhibition representing artists from more than 100 countries . Located at the Angel Orensanz Foundation 172 Norfolk St. NY, NY- 7/25/2013 - 9/10/2013 - <http://bit.ly/12tl7bu>

See.Me Gallery- "See.Me Takes Times Square" - an electronic exhibition representing artists from more than 100 countries . Located at 46th St. and Broadway, NYC, NY August 2014

See.Me Gallery - "The Exposure Award " - an electronic exhibition representing artists from more than 190 countries . Located at Musee de Louvre, Paris . France July 13, 2015

SCAHC Gallery - 133 Spring St., Newton NJ - monthly exhibits since June, 2013

Annual Juried Photography and Graphics Exhibition for Non Members – Salmagundi Club – NYC , NY – August 2014

Annual Juried Photography and Graphics Exhibition for Non Members – Salmagundi Club – NYC , NY – August 2015

AGNJ - Juried exhibitions "NJ Isn't Boring " and " Issues " May and June 2015

Publications List – photographs and writings:

Anthology of Friends , An Original Collection, Volume # 8 , 2010. Edited by Michael E. Riffel .
Published by Blurb Inc.

Anthology of Friends , An Original Collection, Volume # 10 , 2011. Edited by Michael E. Riffel.
Published by Blurb, Inc.

21st Century Photography Vol.2, Embracing Life, . Edited by Mark Sean Orr
ISBN 978-0-615-41982-4

21st Century Photography Vol.3, The Human Project . Edited by Mark Sean Orr
ISBN 978-0-615-57741-8

21st Century Photography Vol.4, A Sense of Place – Edited by Mark Sean Orr
ISBN 978-0 -615- 72867-4

21st Century Photography Vol.5, En Unison – Edited by Mark Sean Orr
ISBN 978-0 -615- 92365-9

The Exposure Award: Art Photography Collection

The Exposure Award: Dreamers Collection - both of these books are published

by Peecho . They document the photographic work that was presented in an electronic exhibit on July 13th, 2015 at the Musee de Louvre , Paris France. Photographers from 191 different countries were featured in this exhibit which was viewed by more than 10 million people. This exhibit was presented by the See.Me Gallery, NY, NY

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